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Miscellaneous.

Mise Selby, a Twenty-second street (New York) belle, who was "fraudulently married" by a circus rider, has succeeded in getting a divorce. The nice young man took her heart away, and succeeded, somehow or other, to misrepresent his profession, and getting such favor from Mary that the wedding was easily accomplished. It is said that he has made a big thing of the divorce, the fond father of the sweet one having fled freely to get rid of the equestrian acrobat.

Willis, of the Home Journal, announces a reform in fashionable circles in the matter of dinner and other party invitations. Here-tofore an invitation to the head of the family has been considered general, but it is now a fashionable usage to ask any one of a family without the rest—even a wife without her husband.

The Mobile Tribune learns that a purse of \$100,000 has been raised by some wealthy gentlemen of Mississippi, which will be given to the first member of the "Mississippi Rifles" who puts his feet on Fort Pickens in time of war. A hundred thousand dollars, added to the glory of the deed, makes up a handsome prize.

Some mischievous boys finding a lad of thirteen, named Stephen Malony, asleep lately in Morrisville, Wis., placed a lighted match under his nose, and the fumes caused his death next day.

The Lynchburg Virginian characterizes the late unwarrantable proceedings in the case of Mr. Crook, the mail agent, as "mob terrorism," and says the rights of a citizen have been shamefully outraged.

Some of the citizens of Warren county, Indiana, anxious to get a post office established, have denominated the proposed office "Lincoln's Run." No reference to "Scotch plaids" or "military cloaks," of course.

The Southern Messenger says that the first abolition President stole into the federal capital by night, like a thief, and then said the "Governments derive their just power from the consent of the governed."

With a due sense of their own importance, the N. Y. Common Council have presented themselves each with a gold badge, at a cost of \$12 or \$15 a piece.

Lozell, Perkins & Co., of Bridgewater, are forging a flat steamboat crank, weighing 16,000 pounds, designed for a steamship to run between Panama and San Francisco.

As an evidence of the healthiness of Nantucket, it is stated that among the six hundred voters in that town, 130 are upward of 70 years of age.

Several rows occurred in the lower section of Philadelphia on Easter Sunday in the course of which a policeman was very severely beaten.

Two lady post-mistresses have been re-appointed in Massachusetts—Miss Gardner in Hingham, and Mrs. Harriet Hodges in Norton.

A destructive fire occurred in Sumter, S. C., on Thursday night which consumed about twelve buildings, including the Town Hall.

H. D. P. Bigelow, of the firm of Knight & Bigelow, Boston, has been forging notes to the amount of \$50,000.

Colonel Rudler, Walker's Aid in his last foray, has been pardoned by the Honduras government, and returned to New Orleans.

The Louisville, Ky., tax-collector, N. L. McLelland, by name, has stolen \$50,000 from the city and sloped.

A great forgery of Virginia State bonds has been discovered in New York.

No State tax is to be levied in Illinois for the next two years.

THE DEATH OF THE DUCHESS OF KENT.—As already announced in the Bulletin, the Duchess of Kent is dead. She died on the 10th of March. The Duchess was mother of Queen Victoria, and aunt of Prince Albert. She was born in 1786, and was the daughter of a petty Prince of Germany, called the Duke of Saxe-Sassfeld Coburg. Her first husband, a Prince Leiningen, was a brute of a fellow, and during his life-time treated her with peculiar cruelty. Victoria was the issue of a second marriage with the Duke of Kent—who was brother to George the IV. and William the IV. The deceased Duchess was a sensible and practical woman, and had the reputation of being kind-hearted and charitable.

The Existing Coinage of Great Britain.

As so much interest exists at present in regard to the coinage of the British Empire, we have been at some pains in obtaining reliable data as to the quantity of gold, silver, copper and bronze coin at present in circulation throughout Great Britain and Ireland. The facts and figures resulting from our inquiries it is our purpose now to give to our readers. In 1816-17, a complete re-coinage of the silver currency of the United Kingdom took place, and as most of the gold coins of a date anterior to that period have become of light weight and found their way back to the crucibles of the Royal Mint, it will be well to commence our general statement from 1816. It appears, then, from official accounts, that there have been issued from the British Mint since that year and up to the present moment—

Double Sovereigns.....16,119
Sovereigns.....136,071,897
Half-Sovereigns.....26,092,903

By far the larger portion of the two last named denominations of money—double sovereigns having long since become obsolete—were coined during the reign of her present Majesty. The years 1853 and 1855, indeed, were preeminently prolific. In the first, no less than £11,952,391 in sovereigns and half-sovereigns were pressed into being; and the second year, 1855, nearly £10,000,000 came forth from the Mint, in the shape of gold coins. The united productions of these two years thus gives a total equal to rather more than one-seventh of the entire gold coinages of the whole 44 years in question.

Taking into account the continual influx of light gold coin to the Bank, and its subsequent transference for recoinage to the sister establishment on Tower Hill, and allowing for the efflux from the Bank of gold coin on its way to the continent and other parts of the world, it may be inferred that the number of pieces of gold, bearing the "image and superscription" of royalty, and circulating in this the second week of 1861 among her Majesty's lieges in Great Britain and Ireland, amounts to at least £100,000,000. Taking the population of the islands to be 30,000,000, it is clear that, equally distributed, the gold coinage would be of sufficient magnitude to supply every inhabitant, young or old, with the sum of £3. 6s. 8d.

Of the silver coinage of the realm, it results from the testimony of official documents, and from evidence adduced by Dr. Graham, F. R. S., Master of the Mint, before the Decimal Coinage Commission, that there are also in circulation among the subjects of the Queen, of—

Crowns.....2,320,027
Half-crowns.....37,516,343
Florins.....10,000,000
Shillings.....112,554,106
Sixpences.....76,132,578
Fourpences.....20,142,034
Threepences.....7,572,437

In all, forming a total of 266,237,525 pieces of silver money. The coinage of crowns, half-crowns and fourpences, has been suspended for many years, and it is more than doubtful whether any more of either denomination of coin will ever again be struck at the Royal Mint.

Coming now to the inferior metallic currency, that of copper, and drawing upon the same unimpeachable sources of information, we find that there are no less than five hundred millions of pence, half-pence and farthings, doing active duty amongst us. Their total current value reaches to a million and a quarter sterling, and their weight avoirdupois is 6,000 tons.

Of the new bronze money, there have been issued several hundred tons, or perhaps twenty millions of coins, and in time the entire copper coinage, battered, worn, unsightly, and heavy as it is, will be superseded by its more graceful and convenient rival. It six thousand tons of the "mixed metal" will be converted into pence, half-pence and farthings, of 48, 80 and 160 to the pound weight the proportions of the new money, instead of coins weighing 24, 48 and 96 to the pound, the proportions of the old, why it is evident that the public will get nearly double the number of coins, or a current value of the same weight of metal of two and a half millions of pounds sterling, instead of one million and a quarter sterling.

From these statistics we deduce the fact that the grand total number of coins of gold, silver, copper, and bronze, now in circulation throughout the British Isles, leaving the colonies out of the question, is undoubtedly not much less than nine hundred millions—or almost one coin to each inhabitant of the globe.—Merchants' Magazine

THE LATEST FRENCH ANNEXATIONS.—It is curious (says the Times correspondent) what little notice has been taken of the transfer to France of the little communes of Mentone and Roquebrune. I think this creeping on, even at a snail's pace, along the shores of the Mediterranean, requires some notice. Mentone was formerly the most important town of the Lilliputian principality of Monaco, which was itself an enclave in the Piedmontese territory. It had a population of 4000 souls, is a sea port, and enjoys, like Nice, a delicious climate and a fertile soil. In March, 1848, and after thirty years' squabbling with its princes, Mentone, and its annex, Roquebrune, followed the example set by more important capitals, rose in insurrection, separated from the principality, unfurled the Italian flag, and declared themselves "Free Cities," under the protection of Sardinia. It is but justice to say that they committed no aggression on their neighbors, and recognized the French Republic. Apparently all they wanted was a quiet life and a good fishing season. They governed themselves municipally on cheap terms, and went on very well until their tranquillity was suddenly disturbed on the 1st of April, (a most appropriate day), by the unexpected visit of the ex-Prince Regent Charles III., who doubtless thought his beloved subjects were pining for him. He showed himself in the streets in cocked hat, spurs, and decorations, accompanied by a few followers, and proceeded to exercise authority. The worthy inhabitants

of Mentone were indignant, and poor Prince Charles would have been roughly handled by them had he not been saved by half a dozen Sardinian gen-d'armes. They took him to their guard house for the night, then put him on board ship for Nice, where he was detained a few days, and finally set free. The principality of Monaco was founded in the tenth century, and has remained until now in the Grimaldi family. The father of the last remaining Prince was a peer of France, with the title of the Duke de Valentinois, and usually resided in Paris. The price paid for this acquisition is said to be about £160,000, and France has obtained thereby forests said to be of much value and in good condition. The timber will be of use for the French navy, and it is stated that building yards will be forthwith established at Villafranca, between Nice and Monaco.

A NEW SAINT.—The Corpus Christi (Texas) Ranchero of the 12th ult., has the following singular statement:

Great excitement exists at the present time among the Mexicans in Western Texas and, indeed among many Americans, occasioned by a report that a Saint has mysteriously appeared in Mexico, at some point near Camargo, who possesses the power to feed thousands of people with two or three tortillas, (little cakes), each getting all he can eat; cures all diseases flesh is heir to; restores sight to the blind; in fact, performs all kind of miracles. No one can tell his name or where he came from. He says that he will be killed in Mexico, and requests that his murderer may not be punished. He claims he is sent on an especial mission to the Mexican people and that he shall perform many wonderful things and make many disclosures before he closes his career. Apparently but sixteen or seventeen years of age, he has a great beard of patriarchal length; and as an evidence that he is no impostor, it is reported that Gen. Vidaurri had him cleanly shaven, and then told him if he was really a man of God, as he professed, to cause his beard to reappear upon his face. The Saint requested his interrogator to turn his back for a few moments, which he did, and after making a prayer and going through some mysterious ceremony, presto! his face was covered with beard the same as before. Thus the story goes, and if not true, certain it is that the Mexicans of this and the adjoining counties are swarming thither in large numbers, and some Americans are preparing to go.

PROGRESS OF CATHOLICISM IN GREAT BRITAIN.—The increase of popery in Great Britain is a little remarkable, and is beginning to alarm thoughtful minds. Statistics show a remarkable progress within the last thirty years. In the year 1829—the year in which Roman Catholic emancipation was conceded—there were in the country 447 priests; now there are 1342, being an increase of 895. Then there were 449 chapels; now there are 993, an increase of 544. In 1859 there were 37 monasteries, the increase during the year has been 10. In the same year there were 123 convents for females; now there are 155. There are also twelve colleges. Roman Catholics are largely appointed as chaplains in the army, and have all the privileges in common with Episcopalian chaplains. The Jesuits, too—whose very presence in the country is contrary to statute law—are making strenuous efforts to get hold of the education of youth. There are 414 Jesuit schools in England. In Ireland, in 1859, nearly 480,000 Roman Catholic children attended the national schools, which cost the country about £205,000.

The extension of institutions under the designation of reformatory schools is another object largely sought by the Jesuits. The grant to their schools in 1859 amounted to £10,707. Maynooth College, an institution devoted entirely to the training of Roman Catholic priests, receives £30,000 annually from government. In most of the colonies, too, the same course is pursued, large sums being annually voted for Roman Catholic objects.

The British sovereign swears on the gospel, on her accession, that the peculiar doctrines of the church of Rome are "damnable and idolatrous," and yet the British Parliament annually votes immense sums for the propagation of those same doctrines, and for the education of the men who teach them! With such fostering care, there is no reason why papacy should not spread rapidly.

PIRATES AND THE COOLIE TRADE.—The Hongkong Trade Report, of January 14, says that at that time there were no less than three foreign vessels loading on that coast with coolies for Peru and Cuba; and as the anchorage chosen are not pirate haunts, there was little doubt that most of the victims were the crews of trading vessels captured by the latter. The cupidity of the pirates is strongly tempted, so long as the coolie ships pay from \$30 to \$40 for each captive. This nefarious business is denounced by the Trade Report, not only for its inhumanity, but on account of the encouragement given to piracy and the injury inflicted upon commercial interests.

In a remote district of Canada, lately, fifty moose were caught in the deep snow, and easily butchered by hunters.

HOLLOWAY'S OINTMENT AND PILLS.—Ulcerations of the lower limbs yield with surprising rapidity to this Ointment. Abscesses and sores of this class, that had discharged virulent and offensive matter for many years, and kept the sufferer in constant pain, and in a most debilitated condition, have been cured by it in a few weeks. This Ointment does not merely, and at once, suppress the discharge, which would be highly dangerous, but striking through the surface to the core of the disorder it obliterates both its sources and its symptoms. These valuable Pills, by their mild and aperient action, purify the blood, diminish fever, and expedite the cure, which is always permanent and safe, because these remedies have expelled all unhealthy matter.

NOTICES.
Yale Steam Navigation Company,
(LIMITED.)

NOTICE.
ALL PARTIES HAVING CLAIMS AGAINST the above Company must forward a detailed account of their claim to the office of the Company, within thirty days from date of this notice, or be forever disallowed. Also, all parties indebted to the Company must settle their accounts within thirty days from date of this notice or proceedings will be taken for collection of the same.
By order of the Board of Directors,
HUGH NELSON,
Secretary.
Yale, B. C., April 26th, 1861.

NOTICE,
To Carpenters and Builders.
TENDERS WILL BE RECEIVED UNTIL TUESDAY, the 30th inst., for certain Mason and Bricklayers' Work, for the erection of a Suburban Residence on the South side of James' Bay.
Tenders will be received either for the whole work or for the separate trades.
The Drawings and Specifications may be seen at the Office of the undersigned on and after Saturday, the 20th instant.
The lowest Tenders will be accepted if otherwise satisfactory.
WRIGHT & SANDERS,
Architects,
ap18 td Corner of Yates and Langley sts.

NOTICE.
THE PARTNERSHIP HERETOFORE existing between D. AHLENFELDER and ISAAC EMANUEL, carrying on business as Grocers on Government street, is this day dissolved by mutual consent. All claims against the late firm will be settled by D. Ahlenfelder.
D. AHLENFELDER,
ISAAC EMANUEL.

The business will be continued at the same stand under the name and style of
M. MORRIS & CO.
ap11 tm
April 11, 1861.

Information Wanted.

INFORMATION WANTED AS TO THE whereabouts of HORACE HOWE, formerly of Little Valley, Catt. Co. N. Y., by his daughter, Eliza M. Howe, who arrived at Portland, Oregon, on the Steamship "Pacific," on Friday, March 29th, 1861. He will find a letter from her addressed to him at the Victoria Post Office. Any party knowing of his whereabouts will be suitably rewarded by forwarding his address to the undersigned.
Address, ELIZA M. HOWE,
Care of Fred. W. Fitch,
Portland, Oregon.
ap6 2m

DISSOLUTION OF CO-PARTNERSHIP.
THE PARTNERSHIP HERETOFORE existing between Wm. Tucker & Wm. Gibson, was dissolved on the 23rd March by mutual consent. Wm. Tucker will pay all debts and liabilities and collect all debts due the concern and continue the business.
WM. GIBSON,
WM. TUCKER.

Witnesses: JOHN MCCLYMONT, JOHN CROWTHER.
a3 tm

Bark Nanette.

NOTICE.
MR. JAS. LOWE AND MR. A. F. MAIN are authorised by me to act in the settlement of all accounts connected with the wrecked bark Nanette. Consignees are respectfully requested to furnish the gentlemen with any information in the shape of copies of invoices, or otherwise tending towards the identification of the proprietorship of opened packages that have been sold.
ALEX. C. ANDERSON,
Agent for Lloyds.
ap15 tl

I. N. JEFFERIES,

IMPORTER OF AND DEALER IN

Paints, Oils, Window Glass, Glue,
VARNISHES, TURPENTINE,
WHITELEAD, BRUSHES.

GOLD-MOUNTING, AND EVERY OTHER article pertaining to the trade.
Just received—a new and extensive assortment of English and American Wall Paper and Borders.

I have secured the services of Mr. ELI HARRISON, and am fully prepared to execute all orders for

House and Sign Painting.

In a workmanlike manner and with dispatch.
Persons having work to be done in this line would do well by applying to me in preference to giving it to contractors, who realise a large percentage by their sub-contracts; and the work is never done as well as if given to me at first.
I. N. JEFFERIES,
House and Sign Painter,
Yates street.

SPECIFIC BALSAM,
AN INFALLIBLE

AND
SPEEDY REMEDY

FOR ALL
Sores and Ulcers,

Either of a Specific or Inveterate character
For sale by
CURTIS & MOORE,
Druggists, Yates street.
fe21 3m

Mr. T. GROB,

ARCHITECT AND ARTIST,
HAS LATELY ARRIVED FROM SAN

Francisco, and is now prepared to fill orders in all the different branches of his profession. Plans and specifications for Buildings, Machine Drawings, Landscapes, etc., etc., made at the shortest notice.
Mr. Grob has opened a Drawing School for Ladies and Gentlemen, and an Evening Class for the benefit of those who cannot attend during the day.
Terms for Evening Class, \$3 per month. Visitors are requested to call and examine specimens at corner of Government and Broughton streets, Victoria.
ap21 tm

L. D. LOWENBERG,
REAL ESTATE AGENT.

East side of Government st., bet. Yates & Johnson.

WILL PAY PARTICULAR ATTENTION TO selling, purchasing, and leasing property, to negotiating loans, and transacting everything connected with Real Estate business.
Maps of all the different districts on the Island may be seen at his office. Parties desirous of purchasing Homesteads, or making investments, will find on my Bulletin Board Town Lots on nearly every street. Farming or Gardening Land in every District; some of which afford a rare chance for investment.
Conveyances, leases, &c., drawn up at reasonable rates.
ap23 tl

Victoria Loan Company,
JOHNSON STREET.

MONEY ADVANCED ON GOLD AND Silver Watches, Jewelry, Diamonds and Precious Stones, Wearing Apparel, Guns, Pistols, Furniture, Bedding, etc., etc. Musical Instruments, and every kind of Movable Property.
Private entrance—Waddington street.
JOHN J. LEVI,
Manager.
ap4 tm

Turnwater Mills Flour,
FOR SALE IN QUANTITIES TO SUIT
by EDGAR & AIME,
Wharf street, near Yates.
m11 tm

GROCERIES, ETC.

MARTIN BROS.,
Wholesale Grocers,

11 Wharf Street, Victoria, V. I.

S. MARTIN, HAVING RETURNED from San Francisco with a new and well selected Stock of

GROCERIES AND PROVISIONS,

Is now prepared to supply his old friends and patrons with goods in his line at the

Lowest Market Rates.

IN STORE AND FOR SALE, ex recent arrivals:

400 mats China Rice,
60 1/2 bbls Pork,
20 bbls brine Hams,
10 bbls Barber's Hams,
10 bbls Butter,
30 kegs Lard,
25 1/2 bbls Dried Apples,
25 1/2 bbls do do
25 chests Black Tea,
10 cases fresh Tomatoes,
10 cases Preserved Limes (in glass)
10 kegs Pearl Barley,
15 boxes Castile Soap,
And a general assortment of

CASE GOODS.

—ALSO—
A lot of Dates, Walnuts, Raisins and Figs.

All orders from the country will be promptly attended to.

S. MARTIN,
Victoria.

A. MARTIN,
San Francisco. a3 tm

Sporborg & Goldstone,

YATES' FIRE PROOF

Stone Warehouse, Wharf Street,

IMPORTERS AND JOBBERS in Groceries, Provisions, Clothing, Dry Goods, Boots and Shoes, etc., etc.

SPORBORG & GOLDSTONE, Dealers in Oregon Produce and Commission Merchants.

SPORBORG & GOLDSTONE, Agents for California Brooms manufactured at San Francisco. The trade supplied at a small advance above manufacturer's rates.

10,000 LBS. of splendid Oregon Bacon, for sale at SPORBORG & GOLDSTONE'S.

150 CASES BOOTS AND SHOES for sale low at SPORBORG & GOLDSTONE'S.

50 CASES OREGON LARD for sale low at SPORBORG & GOLDSTONE'S, Yates' Fire Proof Warehouse, Wharf street. ap6 tl

KWONG LEE & CO.,

Commission Merchants.

Importers and Dealers in

CHINESE GOODS,

Rice, Sugar, Tea, Provisions, etc.,
CORNHARST STREET,
Between Government and Douglas streets,
VICTORIA, V. I. ap25 tm

MORRIS PRICE, Deceased.

Notice to Debtors and Creditors.

THE CREDITORS AND OTHERS having claims against the Estate of MORRIS PRICE, late of Cayosh, British Columbia, are hereby required, on or before the 24th day of May next, to send in full particulars of their claims to Mr. SIMON REINHART, of Victoria, Vancouver Island, the Administrator of the Estate and Effects of the deceased in British Columbia; and in default thereof they will be peremptorily excluded from all benefit under the administration; and notice is hereby further given that all persons indebted to the Estate of the said deceased are required forthwith to pay the amount of their debts to the said Administrator.

H. P. WALKER,
Barrister-at-Law,
New Westminster, April 5th, 1861. ap13

J. W. TRIPP & CO.,

Corner Government and Johnson Streets,

JUST RECEIVED PER STEAMER "SANTA CRUZ," a fine selection of

STRAWBERRY PLANTS, PLUM,
Cherry, Pear and Apple Trees,

—ALSO—
A lot of Shrubbery and Rose Bushes of different varieties. ap20 tl

Havana Cigars.

LATEST IMPORTATION.

REGALIA. Regalia Britanica.
General Scott do do
La Agradeida do do
La Maria Luisa do do
Quintan do do
La Victoria do do
La Flor de Lopez Torre do do
La Riquesa Cubana do do
La Verdi, Regalia Espaneros
El Sultan do do
La Villa de Gijon, Regalia de Lores.
La Uria do do
La Viuda de Garcia, Cigarritos.
For sale in lots to suit, by G. VIGNOLO,
Corner Yates and Wharf streets.
ap12 tm

UNDERTAKING.

THE UNDERSIGNED HAVING A COMPLETE Stock on hand, is now prepared to execute any order thereon, on the shortest notice and on the most reasonable terms.

The Trade Supplied.

R. LEWIS,
Corner of Government and Broughton streets.
ap3 tl Victoria.

S. DUCK,

Wheelwright & Carriage Maker,
At T. CAMERON'S, (Blacksmiths),
Cormorant street.

Orders punctually attended to, and all work warranted good. del tm

CHARLES BARRETT,

Portland, Oregon,

DEALER IN ALL KINDS OF OREGON PRODUCE, FRUITS, etc., etc. Orders promptly executed, and the lowest price charged.
Refer to Capt. HEAVLY. Security given, if required. ap10 tm

NOTARY PUBLIC.

M. H. DRAKE, 63 GOVERNMENT Street has received the appointment of Notary Public for these Colonies. ap25 tl

CHAS. F. ROBBINS,

IMPORTER AND DEALER IN TYPE Presses, Printing Material, Ink, Card stock, &c. Nos. 111 and 113 Clay street San Francisco. 1861m1w

THE BRITISH COLONIST

TO ADVERTISERS.

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Notice to Subscribers.

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VICTORIA, Nov. 17th, 1860.

Gratuitous.

Religious Notices and Advertisements of Marriages or Deaths inserted GRATUITOUSLY.

Saturday Morning, May 4, 1861.

The United States New Tariff.

The new tariff of the United States is calculated to widen the breach already made between the Confederate States and the Federal Government. Hitherto it has only been through the votes of the South and West that a low tariff has been carried and collected—the agricultural States refusing to adopt a high protective tariff for the benefit of New England and Pennsylvania. The last Congress nevertheless has imposed a tariff nearly or quite double the old one. The San Francisco Bulletin says the new tariff will be tantamount to 48 or 50 per cent. A purely agricultural country like the Cotton States are not likely therefore to tamely submit to a prohibitory or high-protective tariff to benefit the manufacturers of New England who are more hostile to slave labor than other agricultural States of the North. The 50 per cent. tariff is calculated to clog all efforts for reconciliation; and may end in turning the sympathies of England and France toward the South. The tariff is considered by the London Times almost prohibitory to European merchandise. Such being the case, nations like individuals adopt the policy best designed to promote their interests; and a low Southern tariff would certainly be far more favorable to British manufactures than the high prohibitory tariff of the United States.

It matters but little to us what the effects of the new tariff on Secession may be; but in its influence upon the commerce of Victoria we have a legitimate subject for consideration. So far as we can see, the new tariff can have no other tendency than making Victoria the commercial depot for all the foreign merchandise sent to the North Pacific Coast. It works directly into our hands, and only requires capital and enterprise on our part to take due advantage of the circumstances. The new tariff says the S. F. Mercantile Gazette, is levied on all merchandise shipped after the 17th March. So all goods sent from here to Washington Territory, Oregon, or California, is immediately affected by it. It is only the remote shipments made prior to March 17th that will be admitted under the old duty. Besides the tariff, the time allowed for goods to be in bonded warehouses before the duties are paid is so short that the bonded system will not afford much relief to importers. Such being the case, it becomes us to bring the advantages of our free port and its proximity to American ports immediately before the British and French exporters, as well as the American merchants. "Buy in the cheapest market and sell in the dearest," is an axiom of commerce, known and acted upon almost everywhere. If we therefore can supply foreign merchandise to San Francisco, Oregon, and Washington Territory cheaper than they can import directly themselves, we may feel certain of commanding their trade. The foreign imports of San Francisco, says the Bulletin, are \$10,000,000 annually. If its estimate of the duty be correct, then the amount of duties collected at that port will be \$5,000,000 or thereabouts, annually.

If it be true also that the bonded system there will afford but slight relief to the importer, it is easy to be seen that a great outlay of capital in duties will have to be made; and the interest on money so invested will become a great drain on the importer. The consumer will pay, doubtless, a corresponding profit; but this fact is still plainly visible in San Francisco that an importer or merchant will have to keep 50 per cent. more capital to do business with than here. Thus, their trade will be materially shackled. Were this port made a depot for foreign merchandise, the Puget Sound, Oregon, or California merchant could import foreign merchandise in smaller quantities, and thus save a large outlay. Suppose an original package of foreign merchandise worth \$1000 were taken out of bond in San Francisco, and duties were paid upon it amounting to \$500; and were a small order of \$100 filled from it, leaving the balance on hand two months, there would be the interest on \$450 at two per cent., making \$18 to add to the original cost and duties. The cost of transshipment from here would not amount probably to over \$3. So the profit by purchasing at Victoria would be in two months one and a half per cent. on the original value of the merchandise.

Whilst a small number of unfledged politicians are wasting their breath to ruin the prosperity of our port by trying to impose a tariff, we observe the Napa (Cal.) Reporter is in favor of San Francisco being made a free-port. The immense grain crop of California will, it is estimated, in 1861 find

cargoes for one hundred first class ships. The cheaper, therefore, the port charges and the lower the duties, the more profit will fall to the farmer. Such is the argument of the Reporter; and it is true, whilst our local cotemporary labors here for the contrary. The Bulletin, however, sees no probability of an immediate reduction of the new tariff, and the depleted exchequer and disturbed condition of national affairs, bequeathed to the country by Mr. Buchanan, renders it highly improbable, and a free-port totally impossible. In this state of things our policy is plainly to invite the exporter to our free port; for, by effecting direct shipments to this place, not only can we supply the local consumption of foreign merchandise cheaper than by importing through San Francisco, but British Columbia and the neighboring States will become tributary to our free port.

SPECIAL NOTICE.—The VICTORIA NEW DEPOT Government street, north of Yates street, receives by every steamer from San Francisco a large supply of newspapers and magazines, which are sold at the following established prices: American newspapers, 20 cents each; Harper's Magazine, Blackwood's Magazine, Chambers' Journal, All the Year Round, and the Magazines of Fashion, 25 cents each; Cornhill and Eclectic Magazines, 50 cents each. Parties residing in British Columbia or Washington Territory may have them sent to them regularly at the same prices by sending the cash with the order.

Files of the London Times, Liverpool Post and Manchester Guardian, received by every steamer and filed for the accommodation of the patrons of the VICTORIA NEWS DEPOT. ap7 lm

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

To Contractors.

TENDERS ARE REQUIRED FOR Clearing and Grading the new Road between the Bridge in course of erection at Rock Bay and the Bridge being built across the Arm of the Harbor, and also for the Road leading from the last named Bridge to the Equimall Road.

Specifications can be seen at the Office of FREDK W GREEN, Surveyor, where tenders will be received until Monday, at noon. m4

Card of Thanks.

A SPECIAL MEETING OF DEL- Agents Co. No. 1, held on Friday Evening, May 3d, it was unanimously **RESOLVED**, That the thanks of this Company be tendered to His Excellency Gov. Douglas, for liberal donations of Wines and Refreshments, and to Admiral Maitland, Capt. McKenzie, and Officers of H. M. S. Bacchante, for the generous use of the Band belonging to said ship. Also, to those Ladies who rendered us such valuable assistance in the way of decorations, etc. JAMES S. DRUMMOND, Secretary. m4

EX "ST. MARK," FROM LONDON.

THE UNDERSIGNED HAVE JUST received, via San Francisco, a large and varied assortment of the finest CLOTHS and TWEEDS; also, Men's and Youths' Caps, Braces, Ties, Belts, etc., of every variety, all of which are well worth the attention of dealers.

DICKSON, CAMPBELL & CO., Wharf street. m4 lm

TO LEASE.

PART OF GONZALES FARM, IN VICTORIA District, is offered for Lease. The part offered will be subdivided in parcels to suit those who are desirous of obtaining it. The terms of Lease will be made moderate and a long time given. The position of this piece of Land, being near town, and the quality of the Land itself, nearly all clear, make it very desirous for gardening purposes and country residences. For particulars inquire at

LEO. LOWENBERG'S, No. 23 Government st., bet. Fort and Broughton streets. m4 lm

AUCTION.

Monday, May 6th, 1861,

At 11 o'clock, A. M.,

AT SALESROOM, WHARF ST., FOOT OF YATES,

22 kegs Scotch Oatmeal;
20 bbls Sugar;
40 boxes Candles;
10 kils Mackerel;
3 hf. bbls Eastern Mackerel;
10 do. California do.;
10 cases Lard;
And a variety of other Groceries.

—ALSO—

For account of whom it may concern,

EX STEAMER CORTES:

G in a diamond, 20 bags Cabbages.

—ALSO—

LIQUORS,

To close consignment.

J. A. McCREA, Auctioneer. m4 2t

STAR AND CARTER HOTEL

NEW BILLIARD SALOON

Furnished Lodgings!

The Star and Garter Hotel,

GOVERNMENT STREET,

OPPOSITE "BRITISH COLONIST" OFFICE,

WILL BE

Opened on Saturday Evening Next!

THE PROPRIETOR OF THE STAR and GARTER HOTEL would respectfully inform the public that his establishment is fitted up in the very best style.

THE BILLIARD TABLES

Are the latest style.

THE BAR

Is supplied with the very best Liquors; and the Saloon is furnished for the comfort and accommodation of the public.

THE BED ROOMS

Are well fitted up and furnished with entirely new furniture.

The Proprietor therefore respectfully invites the public to visit his establishment, and he guarantees that no expense will be spared to promote their pleasures and ensure their comfort.

L. DAVIES, Proprietor. m4 3

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

VICTORIA, V. I. JOCKEY CLUB.

PATRON:

HIS EXCELLENCY GOV. DOUGLAS.

STEWARDS:

G. T. GORDON, ESQ., C. R. ROBINSON, ESQ., R. N. MAJOR DE COURCY, T. R. SKINNER, ESQ., J. DEWIS, ESQ., CAPTAIN VENABLES.

HON'Y SECRETARY.

H. B. CAMPBELL, ESQ.

Victoria Spring Meeting.

These Races are fixed for Friday and Saturday the 24th and 25th instant.

PROGRAMME:

FIRST DAY.

1 **Trial Stakes**—Entrance \$10, with \$50 added by the Club, for horses bred on Vancouver Island and its dependencies. Weight, 3 yrs old, 81, 4 do, 8st, 5 and upwards. 1st 7 lbs. Distance, mile heats.

2 **Queen's Plate**—Of \$200, in specie, added to a sweepstakes of \$30 each. Horses entered not to be sold, to carry 10st; if to be sold for \$750, allowed 7 lbs; if for \$500, 14 lbs; if for \$250, 21 lbs. Distance, 2 miles.

3 **Selling Stakes** of \$10 each, with \$50 added. All horses entered subject to be sold for \$250. Weight, 11st each. If to be sold for \$200, allowed 7 lbs; if for \$150, 12 lbs; if for \$100, 18 lbs. The winner to be sold by auction immediately after the race, and the surplus, if any, to go to the Race Fund. Distance, mile heats.

4 **A Purse** given by the Officers of H. M. Navy, added to a sweepstakes of \$10 each, for horses of all denominations; weight for age; distance, 2 miles. The winner of any of the previous races of this meeting to carry 7 lbs extra, and of the Queen's plate 14 lbs; to be ridden by Officers of H. M. Navy or members of the Jockey Club.

SECOND DAY.

1 **Welter Stakes** of \$10 each, with \$50 added, for horses of all denominations. Weight 13 stone; distance, 2 miles.

2 **Jockey Club Stakes** of \$20 each with \$200 added, for horses of all denominations. 3 yrs old, 8st, 4 yrs, 9st 7; 5 and aged, 9st 7 lbs; distance, 2 miles; the winner of the Queen's plate to carry 14 lbs extra.

3 **A Purse** given by the ladies of Victoria, V. I. Entrance \$5, for horses of all 4 nominations; catch weight; winners of previous races disqualified; to be ridden by members of the Jockey Club; mile heats.

4 **Hurdle Race**—A sweepstakes of \$15 each, with 100 added; weight, 12 stone; 4 hurdles height four feet; mile heats.

5 **Consolation Scramble**—\$25 given by the Club to beaten horses; weight for age; distance, one mile.

RULES.

1 The Stewards's decision to be final on all details connected with the Races.

2 All entries to be made by sealed letters addressed to the Hon'ry Secretary of the Jockey Club, Post Office, Victoria, with the entrance money to be enclosed, on or before six o'clock on the evening of the 24th May.

3 Colors must be declared to the Honorary Secretary at the same time, or a fine of \$5 will be levied to go to the Race Fund. Any Jockey riding without colors will be fined \$10.

4 Five per cent will be deducted from all stakes for the expenses of the Race Course.

H. B. CAMPBELL, Hon'ry Secretary. m4

PLANTS BY AUCTION

P. M. BACKUS

WILL SELL ON

THIS DAY,

SATURDAY, the 4th inst.,

At 11 o'clock, A. M.,

AT HIS SALES ROOM, YATES STREET,

A Choice Variety of Plants,

Ex. Steamer "Cortes" from San Francisco.

At 10½ o'clock, same day,

WILL BE SOLD

ON UNION WHARF,

DAMAGED GOODS!

From the wreck of the bark "Nanette,"

35 small kegs of Paint,
1 large keg Paint,
164 English Red Fire Bricks,
175 do White do
2 Stanchions. m4 3 td

FAUJAS & BREBAN,

HOUSE AND SIGN PAINTERS,

PAPER HANGERS, GLAZIERS, &c.,

Johnston street, next to Colonial Market.

THE UNDERSIGNED HAVING UNITED their establishments are prepared to execute all orders for Plain, Fancy, and Ornamental Painting, and also for Paper Hanging or Glazing, and they solicit the patronage of Contractors, and the public in general, giving them the assurance that all business entrusted to their care will be executed with promptness, in a workmanlike manner, and on moderate terms.

ap13 lm FAUJAS & BREBAN

A. BLACKMAN,

NO. 14 Yates street, opposite Waddington Alley.

RESPECTFULLY INFORMS THE public of Victoria and British Columbia that he has the agency of the world-renowned

TILTON & MCFARLAND'S

Salamander Fireproof Safes,

Impenetrable to drill or eldel, with combination

lock and burglar proof, and of which he has a

good assortment on hand and will sell at San Francisco prices.

Manufacturer of all sorts of

Tin, Copper and Sheet Iron Ware.

Keeps a good stock of Stoves, Hardware and Wil-

low, silver-plated and Britannia; Crockery and Glass-

ware, &c., and all other JOBBING done

in a good manner and at reasonable prices.

ap20 lm2p A. BLACKMAN.

Hotel and Restaurant,

MINERS' EXCHANGE,

Waddington Alley, bet. Johnston and Yates streets, VICTORIA, V. I.

Board and Lodging (per week),...\$6 and \$7

Board.....\$5

Meals at all hours.....50 cents

The subscriber would notify his friends and the public that he has retired and furnished the above Establishment, and can now offer a comfortable home to those visiting this Colony.

JOSEPH M. MORRIS, An Old Californian.

SAN JUAN LIME,

ON HAND AND FOR SALE BY

PEASE & BOYCE,

ap5 lm Union Wharf

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

FOR SALE,

A FINE COLLECTION OF BEAUTI- ful FLOWERS, of all descriptions, received by the steamer Pacific, are offered at private sale, and can be seen at J. JACOB SEHL, corner of Government and Broughton streets.

ap26 lm* CHARLES DECHENT.

BUTTER,—100 kegs of first quality Irish But-

ter, containing 35 lbs and 40 lbs each.

For sale by JANION & GREEN.

HAMS AND BACON,—20 cases of prime Yorkshire Hams and Bacon. The above are of superior quality, and are just received from London via San Francisco.

For sale by JANION & GREEN.

BLANKETS,—White Blankets, 2½ and 3 points

Scarlet Blankets, do do

Blue Blankets, do do

Now landing and for sale by JANION & GREEN.

PRESERVED VEGETABLES,—50 cases Patent Preserved Dried Vegetables. These vegetables, from their extreme portability, are admirably adapted for use in distant mines, where packing is expensive, one case weighing about 1½ lb only, containing about 1500 rations.

For sale by JANION & GREEN.

BURTON ALE,—Burton Ale, in Bulk and

Bottle. For sale by JANION & GREEN.

AGENCY

OF THE

San Francisco Mission Woolen Mills.

WE WISH TO CALL THE ATTEN- tion of dealers in Victoria, British Columbia and Puget Sound, that we are prepared to execute with dispatch orders for the following goods, samples of which can be examined at our office:

Family Blankets, all wool, superior quality;
Mackinaw do. do. do. do.
Scarlet do. do. do. do.
Blue do. do. do. do.
Grey do. do. do. do.
Golden State Gentlemen's Long Slacks, all wool, with plain or graduated borders;
Tweeds, double and single width, all wool, and desirable colors;
Ereka Flannels, all colors, and of extra quality;
Overshirts, a variety of patterns, sizes and colors.
The above goods are manufactured of selected wools, and are superior in quality to the same class of imported fabrics.

SAM'L PRICE & CO. ap27 lm

PROCLAMATION.



Vancouver Island.

By His Excellency JAMES DOUGLAS, Companion of the most Honorable Order of the Bath, Governor and Commander-in-Chief of the Colony of Vancouver Island and its Dependencies, Vice Admiral of the same, etc., etc., etc.

WHEREAS the House of Assembly, convened on the 1st day of March, 1861, has been prorogued until the 1th day of May, 1861.

Now I, JAMES DOUGLAS, do proclaim and declare that the said House of Assembly is hereby prorogued until Wednesday, the 12th day of June next ensuing.

Issued under the Public Seal of the said Colony, at Victoria, this twenty-ninth day of April, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty-one, and in the twenty-fourth year of Her Majesty's reign.

JAMES DOUGLAS.

By His Excellency's Command.

WILLIAM A. G. YOUNG.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN.

The Court of Revision.



Real Estate Tax Act.

THE COURT OF REVISION WILL meet EVERY DAY, from half-past 10 to 2 o'clock, for the purpose of hearing Appeals under the said Act.

Parties are required to attend at once, the time being limited.

Appeals will be heard as per List posted at the Sheriff's office, and in the same order.

On Saturday, May 1th, the Court will hear appeals against assessments in the Districts of Sooke, Esquimalt, Equimall Town, Metchoosh, Sooke, Nanaimo, North Saanich, South Saanich, and Lake, and also the appeals of parties who have received notice of their assessments being too low.

GREVILLE C. MATHEW, Clerk of the Court.

Victoria, V. I., April 26th, 1861. ap27

J. W. TRIPP & CO.,

Dealers in Oregon Produce,

Cor. of Johnson and Government streets,

SEAS,

Fruit Trees & Shrubbery.

Of all kinds, selected expressly for this market from the best Nurseries in Oregon. ap9 lm

Greely's Bourbon Bitters.—These peculiar Bitters possess all the nourishing and invigorating properties of Old Bourbon Whisky, in combination with many simple Alteratives and Bitter Tonic, calculated to act upon every part of the digestive organs, and through them to reach and cure all complaints arising from a diseased condition of the stomach and bowels.

Greely's Bourbon Bitters are highly nourishing and invigorating, and as a Tonic for Old People, delicate Ladies, Consumptive Patients and weakly persons, they cannot be surpassed. In all cases of Weakness and Debility they will give immediate relief, and impart a strong, healthy tone to the system.

For the cure of Dyspepsia, Indigestion, Nervous Diseases, Liver Complaints, Weakness or Debility, Flatulency and Nausea, and all complaints consequent upon a disordered state of the Stomach, Liver and Bowels, they are not equaled. As an agreeable stomachic they are much admired; they sharpen the appetite, brighten the intellect, and infuse new life and vigor. No one who uses these Bitters can be subject to an attack of Fever and Ague or Chills.

Put up in quart bottles, in cases of one and two dozen, and for sale by Druggists, Grocers, Liquor Merchants and Saloons everywhere.

GEO. W. SNELL, Agent

512 and 514 (old No. 150) Washington street,

ap11 lm2p opp. the Market, San Francisco.

Victoria Coal Company.

COAL AND WOOD.

THE UNDERSIGNED HAVE ALWAYS on hand a full supply of COAL and WOOD at lowest market rates.

JOHN T. LITTLE & CO., Agents.

City Wharf, foot of Yates street.

THE NORTHERN

ASSURANCE COMPANY,

(ESTABLISHED 183

Saturday Morning, May 4, 1861.

Supreme Court of Civil Justice.

[Before Chief Justice Cameron.]

Friday, May 3d, 1861.

THE CHURCH RESERVE SUIT.

Bishop DeMers vs. Bishop Hills, the Reverend E. Cridge, A. F. Pemberton, Esq., and F. W. Wood, Esq.

Mr. Ring and Mr. McCreight (instructed by Mr. Dennes) appeared for the plaintiff, and Mr. Cary and Mr. Crease (instructed by Mr. Drake) for the defendants.

A special jury of eight was chosen to try the case. T. J. Skinner, Foreman, J. Langley, J. S. R. Thompson, F. Peakes, Edward Green, A. Watson, J. Simpson, and A. F. Main.

Mr. McCreight, for the plaintiff, stated the case in point, and Mr. Ring following detailed the evidence which would be laid before the jury.

Bishop DeMers sworn.—Was Bishop of this place in 1852 and since; the cemetery was laid out in May, 1855; recollect being on the cemetery ground with Mr. Pearce and the Governor; was put in possession of the cemetery verbally.

Ques.—How often did you see the Governor in reference to this cemetery?

Ans.—I do.

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Mr. Cary would put in his map if the others did theirs.

Mr. McCreight—A more unwarrantable proceeding was never heard of; the next thing, the learned counsel will be having a private yarn with the jury.

Mr. Cary—Oh, no! I'll leave that for my learned friend.

Witness continuing—The small gate is very narrow; have had several funerals since 1860; we cannot go up to the old gate with a hearse; the body has to be carried through Bishop Hills' yard to the gate.

Mr. Cary again objected to the map of counsel for plaintiff, as being incorrect.

Messrs. Ring and McCreight contended that the map had been before the jury and it was too late now to object to it.

The Court decided that the objection was now too late, as the map had been allowed to go to the jury unchallenged.

The map was shown to the jury.

Examination continued—In wet weather the road to the main gate is bad.

A long discussion between counsel as to the admissibility of evidence regarding the closing of Rue street. His Lordship decided such evidence irrelevant.

A deed, signed by John Work and James Douglas, as chief factors of the Hudson Bay Company, was shown witness, and objected to by counsel for defendants. [The Chief Justice ruled the deed out for the want of a subscribing witness.]

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